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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

11 MARK ROWELL,) Case No.: C 10-5656 PSG
12 Plaintiff,)
13 vs.)
14 AVIZA TECHNOLOGY HEALTH AND)
15 WELFARE PLAN and HARTFORD LIFE)
16 AND ACCIDENT INSURANCE)
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1 I, Christopher R. Snell, have personal knowledge of the following facts.
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3 2. I am a Professor of Sports Sciences and co-founder of the Pacific Fatigue
4 Laboratory ("PFL") at the University of the Pacific. The attached document marked as Exhibit
5 A is a true and exact copy of my C.V.
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7 3. I am unable to attend the March 7, 2012 hearing in this matter, as I will be out of the
8 State of California that day.

Plaintiff's Exhibit 2

1 4. The attached exhibit marked as Exhibit B is a true and exact copy of a twelve
2 page report dated February 15, 2012 regarding Mark Rowell that I authored in conjunction with
3 Staci R. Stevens, the Executive Director of PFL. Page 12 of the report lists the articles that Ms.
4 Stevens and I have published that relate to the type of testing that Mr. Rowell underwent at PFL.

5 5. Mr. Rowell underwent two days of cardiopulmonary exercise testing ("CPET") at
6 PFL on January 30-31, 2012. CPET is a standard test used in a variety of situations to determine
7 a patient's functional capacity. For instance, CPET is used to measure athletes' abilities to
8 exercise. It is also used to assess the degree of impairment in patients suffering from ailments,
9 such as heart and lung disease. CPET is generally accepted in the scientific and medical
10 community as a valid means of measuring a person's ability to exert himself. Normal individuals
11 and even individuals with heart disease, lung disease, and HIV infections are able to reproduce
12 about the same level exertion on day two of the testing as they were on day one. However,
13 patients suffering from chronic fatigue syndrome are often unable to reproduce the same level of
14 exertion on day two.

15 6. During CPET the test subject exercises on a stationary bike while breathing into a
16 machine that analyzes the gases expired. Other measures are taken including heart rate and
17 blood pressure. From the data gathered one can calculate a number of important indicators of the
18 subject's ability to exert himself. Respiratory exchange ratio ("RER"), the ratio of carbon
19 dioxide to oxygen consumed by the subject is measured. The subject's volume of oxygen
20 ("VO"), his or her total oxygen consumption, is measured. His or her ventilation or breaths per
21 minute is measured. The workload achieved through pedaling the bike is measured. From these
22 and other measurements, we are able to determine the amount of workload a patient can achieve
23 before he crosses from aerobic exercise (energy production utilizing oxygen) to anaerobic
24 exercise (energy production derived from sources that do not require oxygen for metabolism).
25 This ventilatory/anaerobic threshold ("V/AT") is important because anaerobic energy production
26 can only be sustained for short periods of time and produces a fatigue effect afterward.
27 Somebody who frequently crosses the V/AT will frequently feel fatigued. The point of doing the
28 testing on two consecutive days is to determine whether the subject is able to recover from the

1 exertion performed on the first day. If his or her functional capacity drops significantly on the
2 second day, it indicates that the patient cannot sustain effort from day to day and likely feels
3 chronically fatigued. This conclusion is generally accepted in the scientific and medical
4 community.

5 7. The measurements taken via CPET cannot be faked by the subject. If the subject
6 were to give less than maximum effort, the data relating to metabolism, ventilation, and heart
7 rate would clearly show it.

8 8. Mr. Rowell gave excellent effort on the testing at PFL, and the data derived are
9 valid.

10 9. Mr. Rowell's test results indicate that he is chronically fatigued and that he is
11 unable to sustain work activity over time. Healthy individuals and those with cardiac, pulmonary
12 and metabolic diseases show no more than an 8% drop in workload capacity on day two of
13 CPET testing. Mr. Rowell's workload capacity dropped 30% on day two consistent with marked
14 impairment in recovering from exertion.

15 10. Mr. Rowell's oxygen consumption at the V/AT is markedly depressed. On both
16 days of testing his oxygen consumption was 30-33% of normal consistent with moderate-severe
17 functional impairment.

18 11. Mr. Rowell's pulmonary function at peak exercise dropped the second day by
19 19%. This finding is consistent with a lack of ventilatory drive resulting from muscle fatigue or
20 a breakdown in central respiratory control. This condition may produce an acidotic state
21 contributing to prolonged recovery and muscle soreness.

22 12. Mr. Rowell kept a log of his symptoms after the CPET testing, and even after
23 seven days he had not fully recovered from the test. While this is a subjective measure of
24 response to exertion, it is consistent with the data obtained during CPET.

25 13. I have concluded that Mr. Rowell is not capable of performing even sedentary work
26 based on the CPET test results. Extensive research has been done to determine the amount of
27 energy it takes to do most routine daily activities. We compared Mr. Rowell's exercise capacity
28 to the amount of energy required to do activities of daily living. Mr. Rowell crosses over into

1 anaerobic energy production when performing tasks such as walking at a normal pace, brushing
2 his teeth, taking a shower, climbing a flight of stairs, walking to or from work or home to car or
3 bus or walking on the job in an office. Given that he frequently crosses the V/AT, he is very
4 likely to feel chronically fatigued. In addition, his recovery time is extended once he has
5 crossed the V/AT. Therefore, I have concluded that he cannot sustain a level of function
6 consistent with completing activities of daily living, let alone working, even in a sedentary
7 capacity.

8 14. I declare that the above is true, under penalty of perjury under the laws of the
9 United States. Signed in this 29th day of February 2012 in Stockton, California.

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EXHIBIT A

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Education

Trent Polytechnic, Nottingham, England, MET, Mechanical Engineering, 1973.
Bedford College, Bedford, England, B.A. (Honours) Sport Studies. Bachelor's Thesis: "The expressed fears of young children in a competitive situation", completed in May 1987.
University of Oregon, Eugene, M.S. Sport Psychology. Master's Thesis: "Children's cognitions and moral judgment about the use of steroids in sport", completed in June 1990.
University of Oregon, Eugene, Ph.D. Exercise and Movement Science. Doctoral Dissertation: "The role of physical experience in education", completed in March 1993.

Professional Experience

Professor, Department of Sport Sciences, University of the Pacific, 2005 to date
Associate Professor, Department of Sport Sciences, University of the Pacific, 2000 to 2005
Associate Professor, Department of Sport Sciences, Department of Curriculum and Instruction (joint appointment), University of the Pacific, 1995 to 2000
Assistant Professor, Department of Sport Sciences, Department of Curriculum and Instruction (joint appointment), University of the Pacific, 1990 to 1995.

Professional Responsibilities

Administrative

Chair, Department of Sport Sciences, 2005 to 2011
Health Science Concentration Coordinator.
Coordinator Mentor Seminar I, 1998

Teaching

Sport and Exercise Psychology
Health Psychology
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Heart, Exercise and Nutrition
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Nevada chronic fatigue syndrome support group "think-tank". Dissemination and publication of CFS research. Proposal submitted November, 2000. Requested: \$14,875. Not funded.

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Chronic Fatigue Syndrome Advisory Committee (Chair), U.S. Department of Health and Social Security, 2007 to date. Chair, 2010 to2012.

San Joaquin County Chronic Disease and Obesity Prevention Task Force, Steering Committee, 2009 to date

American Association for Health Education, School Health Education Advocate for University of the Pacific, 1997 to date.

California Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance, Research Section Chair, 1996-1997.

Member of the Regional Instructional Leadership Team responsible for implementation of the California Health Framework and Physical Education Framework, 1993-1994

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American College of Sports Medicine

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Consultancies

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EXHIBIT B

Cardiopulmonary Exercise Test (CPET) Evaluation Report

Name: Mark Rowell

Date: February 15, 2012

CPET Dates: January 30, 2012; Test 1
January 31, 2012; Test 2

Findings:

Mr. Rowell demonstrates poor functional capacity and a substantial reduction in work capacity in the post-exertional state. This high day to day variability will severely limit his ability to engage in normal activities of daily living and preclude him from full-time work of even a sedentary/stationary nature.

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Indications:

The patient was referred to our lab for global functional evaluation examining metabolic, cardiovascular, pulmonary and cognitive function after experiencing physical stress. Mr. Rowell underwent a cardiopulmonary exercise test-retest over a two-day period. He is 39 years-old, 71.5 inches tall and weighs 180 pounds.

Diagnosis:

Chronic fatigue syndrome

Procedure:

The patient performed symptom limited 15 W/min ramping protocols on a bicycle ergometer while expired gases were collected for determination of oxygen consumption, carbon dioxide production and pulmonary ventilation. Two exercise tests were performed on consecutive days. The heart rate, blood pressure and arterial oxygen saturation were assessed throughout the tests. Pulmonary function testing was performed before the exercise tests to establish baseline resting values. A reaction time test was administered after the second exercise test. Appropriate measures were taken to calibrate and test the accuracy and reliability of the testing equipment on both days. These tests were performed to determine functional capacity and assess the recovery response to a standardized physical stressor.

In the fields of exercise science and medicine, cardiopulmonary exercise testing (CPET) is considered the gold standard for measuring and evaluating functional capacity and fatigue. Position statements and/or guidelines for the performance of this testing are available from the American College of Sports Medicine, American Heart Association, American College of Chest Physicians, American Thoracic Society and the American Medical Association, among others. All endorse this method of testing and acknowledge peak oxygen consumption, only available with CPET, as the most accurate measurement of functional capacity. The Pacific Fatigue Laboratory has adopted this standardized, reliable and accurate tool to evaluate disability in fatigue-related disorders.

Conclusions:**1) Assessment of Effort: Normal**

The patient was cooperative and gave very good effort during both exercise tests. There is no evidence of malingering. Cardiopulmonary exercise testing provides objective measures that can clearly distinguish between indolence and true disability. See page 4, #1 Assessment of Effort.

2) Reproducibility: Abnormal

Exercise test-retest reproducibility is a cornerstone tenet of exercise physiology. It possesses both validity and reliability. Day to day test variability is less than 8% for healthy individuals as well as those with cardiac, pulmonary and metabolic disease. Abnormally high variability was seen for ventilation at peak exercise, and oxygen consumption, workload and ventilation at the ventilatory/anaerobic threshold. See page 4, #2 Reproducibility.

3) Metabolic Responses: Abnormal

Oxygen consumption values at the ventilatory/anaerobic threshold (30-33% of predicted values) were abnormally low for both tests. Mr. Rowell meets New York Heart Association criteria for moderate to severe functional impairment for Test 2. This represents a metabolic abnormality that provides a limitation for sustaining work. See page 4, #3 Metabolic Responses and page 9, Graph 1.

4) Workload: Abnormal

There was high variability in workload at the ventilatory/anaerobic threshold with a drop of 30% Test 1 to Test 2. This is an indication of reduced efficiency at low levels of work in the post-exertional state and provides a limitation for sustaining work. See page 5, #4 Work in Watts and page 9, Graph 2.

5) Cardiovascular Responses: Normal

The patient demonstrated a normal resting and exercise ECG response with no arrhythmia or ischemia noted. See page 5, #5 Cardiovascular Responses and page 10, Graph 3.

6) Pulmonary Function: Abnormal

Pre-exercise pulmonary function testing was within normal limits. However there was high variability between tests at peak exercise (19% drop) and at the ventilatory/anaerobic threshold (18% drop). This indicates a lack of homeostasis in ventilatory drive. Inadequate ventilatory drive during exercise can result from respiratory muscle fatigue or a breakdown in central respiratory control and may produce an acidotic state contributing to prolonged recovery and muscle soreness. This represents a pulmonary abnormality that provides a limitation for sustaining work. See page 5, #6 Lung Function and page 10, Graph 4.

7) Cognitive Function: Normal

The cognitive functions assessed here are best described as timed psychomotor skills requiring focused or sustained attention. The measures used are different from standard neuropsychological tasks. The first simple and choice reaction time tasks are regarded as practice trials. The subsequent sequential reaction time tasks are more complex and test divided attention and memory. See page 5, #7 Cognitive Function.

8) **Recovery Response: Abnormal**

A recovery time of 24 hours or less and minor muscle soreness is considered normal following exercise testing. This patient's recovery time of more than 7 days along with excessive fatigue, pain and symptom exacerbation should be considered an extreme reaction to physical activity. See page 6, #8 Recovery Response.

Results:**1. Assessment of Effort**

The American Heart Association cite peak respiratory exchange ratio (RER) as the most accurate and reliable gauge of subject effort. A peak RER of ≥ 1.10 is generally considered an indication of excellent patient effort during cardiopulmonary exercise testing.

| Test Criteria | Test 1 | Test 2 | Criteria Met |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| | | | T1/T2 |
| RER ≥ 1.10 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> / <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| RPE ≥ 17 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> / <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Plateau in VO ₂ | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> / <input type="checkbox"/> |

2. Reproducibility

| Peak Values | Test 1 | Test 2 | % Change | Reproducible |
|------------------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------------|
| VO ₂ | 27.9 | 27.4 | ↓2 | Yes |
| HR (bpm) | 173 | 168 | ↓3 | Yes |
| V _E (l/min) | 74.7 | 60.3 | ↓19 | No |
| Workload (W) | 204 | 188 | ↓8 | Yes |
| SBP (mmHg) | 188 | 190 | ↑1 | Yes |

| V/AT Values | Test 1 | Test 2 | % Change | Reproducible |
|------------------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------------|
| VO ₂ | 11.8 | 10.8 | ↓8 | No |
| HR (bpm) | 104 | 101 | ↓3 | Yes |
| V _E (l/min) | 21.3 | 17.5 | ↓18 | No |
| Workload (W) | 73 | 51 | ↓30 | No |
| SBP (mmHg) | 152 | 134 | ↓12 | No |

3. Metabolic Responses

| Peak Values | Oxygen Consumption (mL/min) | Oxygen Consumption (mL/kg/min) | Percent Predicted (%) |
|--------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Test 1 | 2277 | 27.9 | 77 |
| Test 2 | 2239 | 27.4 | 76 |

| V/AT Values | Oxygen Consumption (mL/min) | Oxygen Consumption (mL/kg/min) | Percent Predicted (%) |
|--------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Test 1 | 967 | 11.8 | 33 |
| Test 2 | 882 | 10.8 | 30 |

4. Work in Watts

| Workload | V/AT (W) | Peak (W) | Percent Predicted (%) |
|----------|----------|----------|-----------------------|
| Test 1 | 73 | 204 | 88 |
| Test 2 | 51 | 188 | 81 |

5. Cardiovascular Responses

| Heart Rate | Resting Seated (bpm) | V/AT (bpm) | Peak (bpm) | Percent Predicted (%) |
|----------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|----------------|--------------------------|
| Test 1 | 76 | 104 | 173 | 96 |
| Test 2 | 78 | 101 | 168 | 93 |
| Blood Pressure | Resting Supine (mmHg) | Resting Seated (mmHg) | Peak (mmHg) | |
| Test 1 | 132/86 | 130/88 | 188/90 | |
| Test 2 | 132/90 | 124/82 | 190/90 | |

6. Lung Function

Resting pulmonary function results and pulmonary ventilation data during exercise are shown on the Summary Page.

| Ventilation | Maximum Voluntary (L/min) | Respiratory Rate (br/min) | Peak (L/min) | Ventilatory Reserve (%) |
|-------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| Test 1 | 191 | 30 | 74.7 | 39 |
| Test 2 | 204 | 28 | 60.3 | 30 |

Normal Ventilatory Reserve = (Peak VE/MVV)*100≤85%

7. Cognitive Function

The California Computerized Assessment Package (CalCAP®) was performed to determine simple reaction time with the dominant hand (SRT BASE), choice reaction time (CRT BASE), sequential reaction time with repetition of numbers (CRT SEQ1) and sequential reaction time with numbers in sequence (CRT SEQ2); the following data were obtained:

| Test | Post-Test 2 | Reaction Time %ile |
|----------|-------------|-----------------------|
| SRT BASE | 252 | 85 |
| CRT BASE | 454 | 17 |
| CRT SEQ1 | 662 | 13 |
| CRT SEQ2 | 601 | 60 |

8. Recovery Response

A post exercise test log was maintained by the patient. Following test 1 the patient reported feeling chest pain, headache and a burning sensation in his legs. The next day these symptoms persisted with the addition of nasal congestion and whole-body soreness. Following test 2 the patient reported feeling physically and mentally drained with headache and body pain. Recovery was not complete 7 days post-testing.

Summary:

There was abnormally high variability between tests indicating a "fatigue effect" which manifested itself in a disruption of homeostasis particularly at the ventilatory/anaerobic threshold level of work. This diminished physical working capacity is accompanied by metabolic, pulmonary and recovery anomalies. The high variability between tests and observed physiological abnormalities are inconsistent with deconditioning or poor effort.

The ventilatory/anaerobic threshold is an important index of the amount of work that can be sustained. Work intensities above the ventilatory/anaerobic threshold require energy production derived from anaerobic sources limiting the duration at which such intensities of effort can be maintained, causing cumulative fatigue and extending recovery time. Most activities of daily living (reading, walking at a normal pace, computer use, office-type work, etc.) are aerobic in nature and healthy individuals are able to perform such activities for prolonged periods of time with no meaningful physical fatigue. If the ventilatory/anaerobic threshold occurs at low oxygen consumption, normal daily activities may exceed the energy demands that can be met through oxidative metabolism, thus requiring anaerobic metabolism to provide energy. This results in early onset fatigue and prolonged recovery.

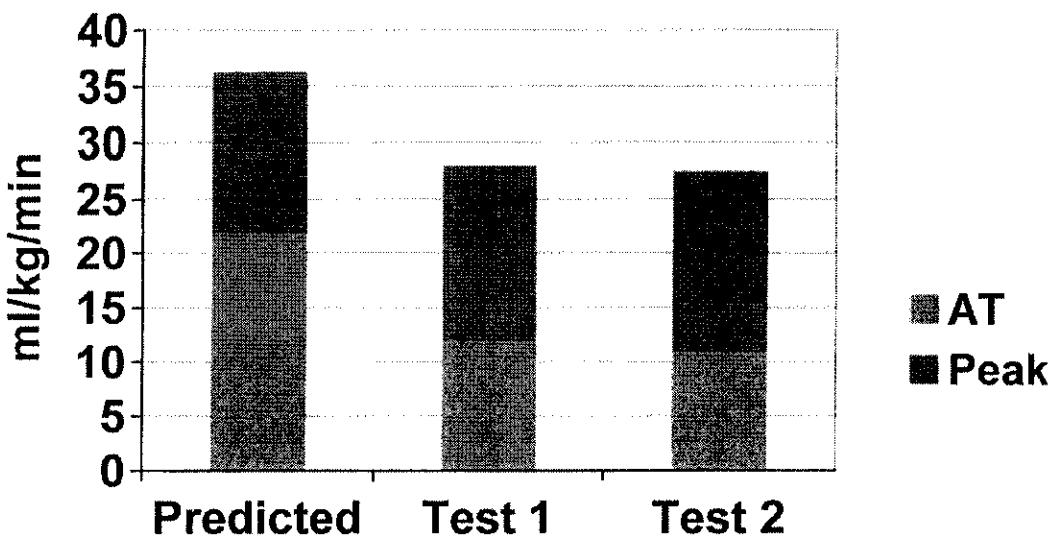
The patient's reduced work efficiency and Test 2 early onset ventilatory/anaerobic threshold of $10.8 \text{ ml kg}^{-1} \text{ min}^{-1}$ of oxygen use indicate moderate to severe functional impairment. Many normal activities of daily living would severely tax Mr. Rowell's capacity to produce energy aerobically. Oxygen demands for tasks such as driving a car, showering or climbing stairs fall in the range of 10.5 to $14 \text{ ml kg}^{-1} \text{ min}^{-1}$. Performing such tasks may exceed his ventilatory/anaerobic threshold which is likely to precipitate the onset/exacerbation of symptoms, including excessive fatigue. Mr. Rowell's high variability in work efficiency, metabolic, and pulmonary function and the extensive fatigue and symptom exacerbation experienced following testing indicate an inability to consistently and reliably function in a structured work environment. This is both an objective measure of fatigue and a quantifiable limitation of the patient's ability to function.

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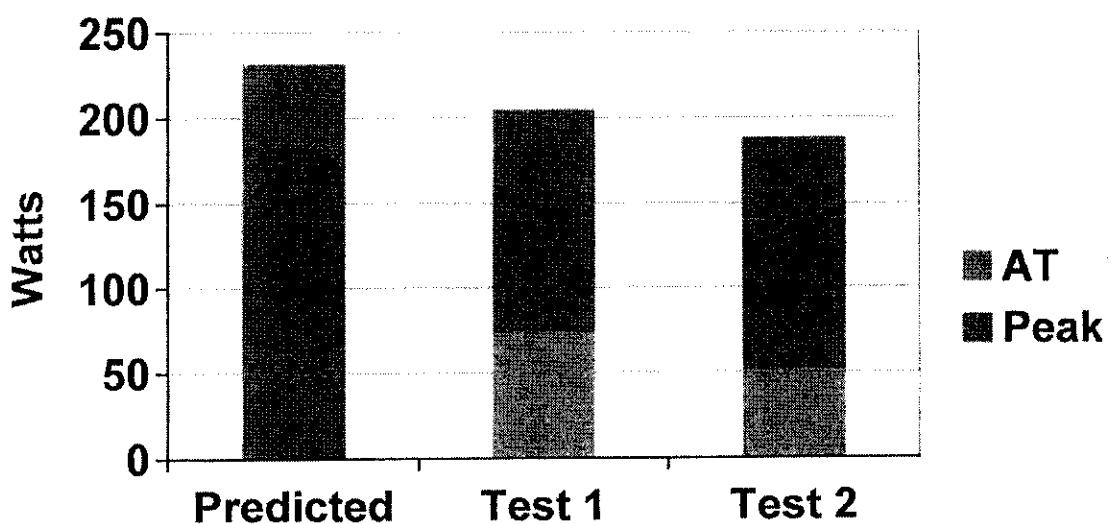
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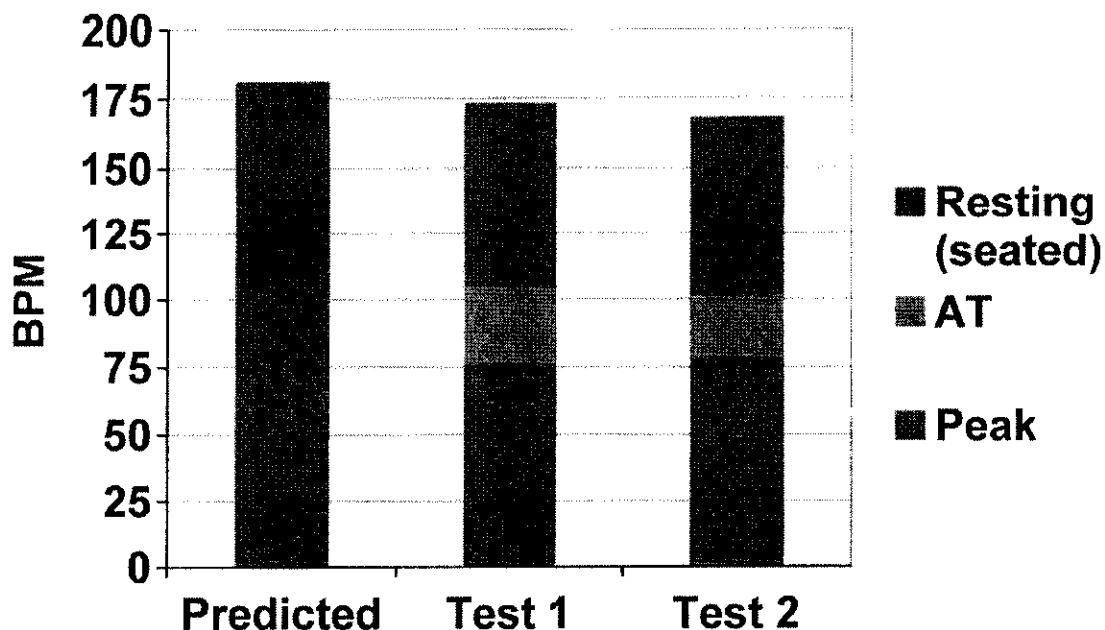
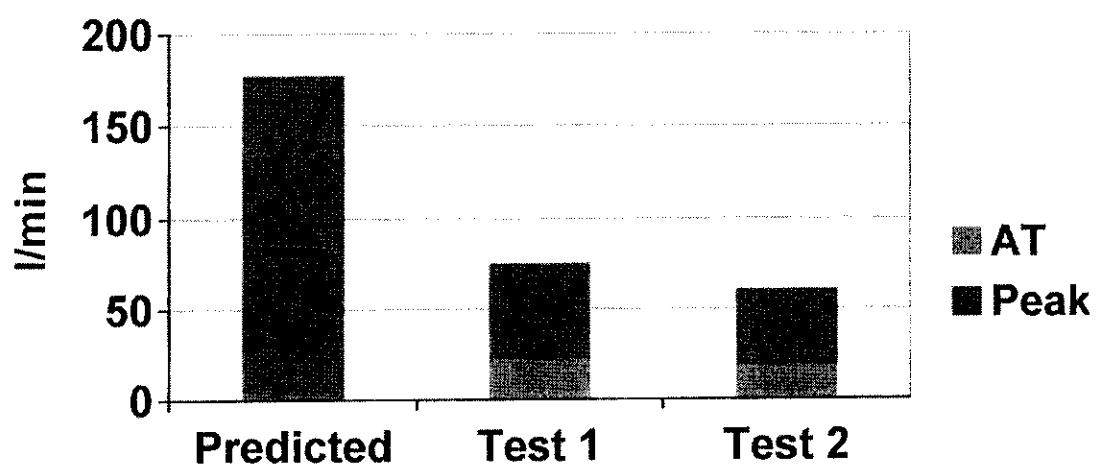
Graph 1: Oxygen Consumption



*The predicted AT for oxygen consumption is the center section of the column, which is a window of 40% to 60% of the predicted peak value.

Graph 2: Workload



Graph 3: Heart Rate**Graph 4: Ventilation**

Test/Retest Summary

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| TEST 1 | | | | | | TEST 2 | | | | | |
|----------------------------|------|------|----------------------------|--|------|-------------------------|--------|--|-------------------------|------|--------|
| Pulmonary Function Testing | | | Pulmonary Function Testing | | | Respiratory Temperature | | | Respiratory Temperature | | |
| | Best | Pred | % Pred | | Best | Pred | % Pred | | Best | Pred | % Pred |
| FVC | 5.61 | 5.57 | 100 | | 5.72 | 5.57 | 102 | | 4.75 | 4.43 | 107 |
| FEV1 | 4.66 | 4.43 | 105 | | | | | | | | |
| MVV | 191 | 172 | 111 | | | | | | | | |

| Cycle Ergometer Test | | | | | | Cycle Ergometer Test | | | | | | |
|----------------------|------|-------------|------|------|---------|----------------------|--------|-------------|------|------|---------|---|
| Time | VE | VO2 | RER | HR | Load | Time | VE | VO2 | RER | HR | Load | |
| (min) | | (mL/kg/min) | | | (Watts) | (min) | | (mL/kg/min) | | | (Watts) | |
| Supine Seated | | | | | | Supine Seated | | | | | | |
| Rest | | | | | | Rest | | | | | | |
| 2 | 9.2 | 3.7 | 0.86 | 76 | 0 | 2 | 6.2 | 2.4 | 0.83 | 78 | 0 | |
| Test | | | | | | Test | | | | | | |
| 1 | 14.3 | 7.4 | 0.77 | 97 | 0 | 1 | 14.5 | 7.2 | 0.81 | 97 | 0 | |
| 3 | 15.0 | 7.8 | 0.81 | 92 | 29 | 3 | 13.2 | 7.8 | 0.76 | 93 | 27 | |
| 5 | 18.1 | 9.1 | 0.86 | 99 | 59 | 5 | 14.982 | 8 | | | | |
| 7 | 28.5 | 13.5 | 1.05 | 114 | 89 | 7 | 30.7 | 13.7 | 1.03 | 115 | 88 | |
| 9 | 35.5 | 15.3 | 1.16 | 132 | 118 | 9 | 27.0 | 15.5 | 0.97 | 135 | 118 | |
| 11 | 44.2 | 19.4 | 1.12 | 147 | 148 | 11 | 44.8 | 21.6 | 1.10 | 149 | 148 | |
| 13 | 56.2 | 23.1 | 1.16 | 164 | 179 | 13 | 58.9 | 27.4 | 1.11 | 166 | 178 | |
| Peak | 74.7 | 27.9 | 1.22 | 173 | 204 | Peak | 60.3 | 27.4 | 1.13 | 168 | 188 | |
| Recovery | 1 | 53.8 | 17.0 | 1.46 | 0 | Recovery | 1 | 27.8 | 9.3 | 1.52 | 145 | 0 |
| 2 | 36.3 | 10.0 | 1.47 | 146 | 0 | 2 | 22.1 | 8.7 | 1.38 | 137 | 0 | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total Test Time: | | | | | | Total Test Time: | | | | | | |
| VO2 max: | | | | | | VO2 max: | | | | | | |
| Max watts: | | | | | | Max watts: | | | | | | |
| AT: | | | | | | AT: | | | | | | |
| HR @ AT: | | | | | | HR @ AT: | | | | | | |
| VO2 @ AT: | | | | | | VO2 @ AT: | | | | | | |
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| Total Test Time: | 14:47 | Total Test Time: | 13:56 |
| VO2 max: | 27.9 | VO2 max: | 27.4 |
| Max watts: | 204 | Max watts: | 188 |
| AT: | 73 watts | AT: | 51 watts |
| HR @ AT: | 104 | HR @ AT: | 101 |
| VO2 @ AT: | 11.8 | VO2 @ AT: | 10.8 |

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